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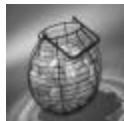
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices advanced 5 cents on larger sizes and 4 cents on mediums when compared to last Friday's values. Elsewhere, weekly prices were sharply higher on all weights when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was firm. Demand ranged light to very good, mostly moderate to good. Supplies were at best sufficient to very tight. Breaking stock offerings were mixed for the fairly good to good demand. Spent hens were usually adequate for a light to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for all sizes. Midwest delivered prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment firm. Retail demand was good to very good. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were in close balance to very tight. Central States breaking stock prices were higher. Demand was fairly good to mostly good for the unavailable offerings. Floor stocks were very tight to adequate. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment firm.

	RANGE		MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers		
					RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	89-98		92-95	LARGE	72-81	76
LARGE	88-97		90-93	MEDIUM	64-70	68
MEDIUM	80-89		82-85	SMALL	45-49	

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were sharply higher on extra large, large and mediums when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was firm. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were closely balanced to tight for present needs. Breaking stock offerings were irregular for reduced to normal processing schedules. Light type hen demand was light to moderate for mostly adequate offerings.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-110	99-103
LARGE	92-106	97-101
MEDIUM	85-98	90-92

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment firm. Cartoned egg demand was good to very good. Loose egg sales were light to moderate. Supplies were closely balanced to very tight on all sizes. Central States breaking stock prices were higher. Demand was fairly good to mostly good for the unavailable offerings. Floor stocks were very tight to adequate. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	97.5-106	99-102
LARGE	96.5-105	98-101
MEDIUM	87.5-96	89-92

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were sharply higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment remained firm. Demand into all channels ranged light to very good. Supplies were in close balance to tight for present needs. Breaking stock offerings were mixed for the fairly good demand. Breaking schedules were reduced to normal. Spent fowl offerings were generally sufficient for a light to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	74.25-105	99-102
LARGE	73.25-103	97-100
MEDIUM	68.25-94	87-91

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices advanced 5 cents on larger sizes and 4 cents on mediums when compared to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment remains firm following the weekend. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were at best sufficient to tight for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	113-117
LARGE	111-115
MEDIUM	103-107

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-104	97-99
LARGE	94-102	95-97
MEDIUM	86-94	87-89

WESTERN Prices 17 cents higher on jumbo, extra large, and large; 16 cents higher on medium throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 2% lower than last week with California up 6% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 12%. Retailer demand moderate to fairly good. Offerings light.

CALIFORNIA Prices were 17 cents higher on jumbo, extra large, and large, 16 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 6% higher than last week. Retailer demand moderate to fairly good. Offerings light. Small benchmark price 105.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	141
EXTRA LARGE	140
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	125

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	279-319	JUMBO	289-409
LARGE	249-319	EXTRA LARGE	259-399
LARGE	199-289	LARGE	199-359
MEDIUM	189-245	MEDIUM	158-315

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending January 19, 2007 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 12, 2007 were 355,995 cases which was 1 percent above the prior week and 3 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	314,180	41,815	355,995

% change from the prior week.....	+1	+4	+1

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK All prices were higher. Demand was fairly good to mostly good while offerings were unavailable and bids to buy were at sharply higher quotations. Floor stocks very tight to adequate. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment firm. Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	43-45	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	29-36	31-33
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were slightly higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent heavy fowl. Schedules were reduced or instances shut down due to winter storms in some areas. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-JAN-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2.75-8.25 CENTS/LB.		5.59

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were noted as fair to moderate for the at least adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-JAN-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-8 CENTS/LB.		5.37

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 25, 2006

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 25, 2006 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.46	1.46	1.36	.77

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- JAN 16, 2007

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		North Cent	South Cent	South Atl	5-Area Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	6.4	15.5	7.7	8.5	11.6
	Change	-0.7	0.9	0.4	-1.0	1.1
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.8	37.5	7.5	16.6	29.4
	Change	0.8	0.1	-1.0	0.9	-3.8
Large	Curr Wk	32.3	71.5	50.1	69.1	85.1
	Change	3.1	-21.4	-1.6	-6.7	-3.8
Medium	Curr Wk	11.3	40.7	17.7	18.1	22.4
	Change	1.3	-3.3	-2.1	5.4	0.3
Small	Curr Wk	3.8	6.6	1.2	4.9	3.0
	Change	0.0	-0.5	-1.7	1.6	0.5
Misc	Curr Wk	2.9	25.7	10.6	9.4	6.3
	Change	0.7	2.6	-0.4	-3.6	-0.9
Ungraded	Curr Wk	16.7	45.9	12.5	36.3	19.6
	Change	0.1	-2.3	-0.4	-2.7	3.8
Total	Curr Wk	93.2	243.4	107.3	162.9	177.4
Percent	Change	6%	-9%	-6%	-4%	-2%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	784.2	-4%	160
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	222.2	-22%	33
Total Shell Egg	1006.4	-9%	193

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 160 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 15, 2007
 CURRENT LOADS 17.50 FUTURE LOADS 12.00 TOTAL LOADS 29.50

		SE		NE		MW		LOADS			SC		NW		SW		LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	78.50	--	81.00	81.50	--	--	--	9.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.00
GL W XL	--	--	93.00	95.00	90.33	--	--	4.00	GL W XL	--	100.25	--	108.00	--	--	--	3.00
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	91.33	--	--	7.00	GL W LG	--	104.00	--	104.38	--	--	--	5.00
GL W MD	--	--	82.50	84.00	78.50	--	--	6.00	GL W MD	83.70	82.00	--	90.00	--	91.50	6.50	
									GL W SM	57.00	--	--	--	--	62.75	1.00	

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 09, 2006 - JAN 15, 2007
 CURRENT LOADS 87.50 FUTURE LOADS 66.25 TOTAL LOADS 153.75

SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W XL	--	81.00	--	87.00	81.00	--	2.00	GNR W 1	--	80.55	--	--	--	--	25.00
GNR W 1	75.00	74.57	73.10	75.29	74.00	72.00	51.00	GNR W 2	--	75.25	--	--	--	--	4.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00	GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
GNR W 3	--	--	70.00	71.00	52.00	58.00	3.00	GL W J	95.00	103.00	--	--	--	104.38	3.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	99.44	--	103.00	--	101.68	19.50
GL W J	--	--	86.00	87.50	89.00	--	2.00	GL W LG	--	93.54	--	96.94	--	92.50	40.50
GL W XL	--	102.00	87.10	89.00	86.80	--	37.50	GL W MD	83.70	81.08	--	81.78	--	87.71	22.25
GL W LG	--	100.45	--	86.24	81.17	95.00	63.50	GL W SM	51.00	--	--	--	--	58.88	2.00
GL W MD	83.40	83.63	78.50	79.80	72.92	--	29.00	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	106.40	1.25
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	55.00	57.00	1.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	108.75	.50
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	92.00	--	1.25								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	89.67	91.00	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	39.40	10.00								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market trend is unavailable. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is good.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	113.83
LARGE	111.00
MEDIUM	101.39
SMALL	86.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

BROWN EGGS	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 - 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 - 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 - 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 - 142	125 - 128

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	01/08/07	01/02/07	01/09/06
PACIFIC COAST	32	32	89
LOS ANGELES	28	28	85

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*Egg Quality Control**Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation**Report Period:* 1/7/2007 - 1/13/2007

<i>State</i>	<i>Number Cases</i>	<i>Number Cases</i>	<i>Number Cases</i>	<i>Total State</i>
	<i>Shipped To</i>	<i>Shipped To</i>	<i>Shipped To</i>	
	<i>Northern CA</i>	<i>Central CA</i>	<i>Southern CA</i>	
Arizona	0	0	1,024	1,024
Arkansas	0	0	600	600
Colorado	0	0	2,264	2,264
Illinois	240	0	138	378
Iowa	6,180	7,335	67,423	80,938
Michigan	0	780	8,944	9,724
Minnesota	3,435	2,180	14,595	20,210
Missouri	0	0	12,218	12,218
New Hampshire	0	0	810	810
North Carolina	1,948	2,442	2,260	6,650
Ohio	0	0	5,605	5,605
Oregon	2,385	0	0	2,385
South Dakota	0	660	1,455	2,115
Texas	0	0	7,523	7,523
Utah	0	1,440	5,865	7,305
Washington	0	24	0	24
Grand Total	14,188	14,861	130,724	159,773
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY	14,188	14,861	130,724	159,773

Source: California Department of Food and Agriculture